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BTR-60PB ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

TAY TUU BARRACKS AREA

NORTH VIETNAM

21-04-38N 105-43-57E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: THE FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF THE BTR-60PB ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER (APC) IN NORTH VIETNAM.
2. LOCATION: TAY TUU BARRACKS AREA IS LOCATED AT 21-04-38N 105-43-57E, 14 NAUTICAL MILES (NM) NORTHWEST OF HANOI.
3. REMARKS: THE BTR-60PB APC IS AN 11-TON, WHEELED, 8 BY 3 AMPHIBIOUS APC WITH A BOAT-LIKE HULL. ARMORED HATCHES COVER THE PERSONNEL COMPARTMENT AND A GUN TURRET HOUSING A 14.5MM AND A 7.62MM MACHINEGUN IS MOUNTED FORWARD. THE BTR-60PB HAS INFRARED NIGHT DRIVING AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS. THE VEHICLE CAN TRAVEL AT A TOP SPEED OF 50 MPH AND CAN CROSS ROUGH TERRAIN OR WATER. THE BASIC VEHICLE, THE BTR-60P, WAS FIRST IDENTIFIED IN THE SOVIET INVENTORY IN

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3. REMARKS: (CONT'D) NOVEMBER 1961; THE BTR-60PB MODIFICATION
FIRST APPEARED IN NOVEMBER 1964.
4. MISSION READOUT: FOUR BTR-60PB APC WERE PARKED AT TAY TUU
BARRACKS AREA ON 20 MAY 1972. THREE ADDITIONAL BTR-60P/BTR-60PB
APC, PARTIALLY CONCEALED BY TREE COVER, WERE LOCATED ON A SECONDARY
ROAD 0.3 NM NORTHEAST OF THE FACILITY. (THESE THREE APC ARE NOT
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